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Sir:

This Reply to After Final Rejection is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 27, 2009 in the above-identified application. A declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 is being submitted concurrently herewith. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.